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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Jean-Louis OUVRIER-BUFFET, et al.

SERIAL NO: 10/518,384

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EXAMINER:

FOR: DEVICE FOR HOLDING AN OBJECT UNDER A VACUUM AND PROCESSES FOR MAKING THIS DEVICE,  
APPLICATION TO UNCOOLED INFRARED DETECTORS

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